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1. [REDACTED] an agent of President Arevalo of Guatemala has gone to New York to negotiate shipments of arms for an attack on Nicaragua planned for the end of August. 25X1X  
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2. A token attack by Nicaraguan conservatives is expected to be initiated within a week of 11 August by Raul Montalvan, a Nicaraguan who has property on the Honduras-Nicaraguan border near Chinandega. He will use only sixty rifles, two machine guns and a few side arms. General Colindres is now in Las Segovias commanding the Sandinistas. General Raudales, another Sandinista, has gone to Honduras and may now be in Nicaragua.
3. The movement is reported to be backed by Toribio Tijerino, Perfecto Tijerino, Emiliano Chamorro, Gustavo Manzanares, Alejandro Cesar and Mariano Morales.
4. The Rosendo Arguello faction of the Patriotic Nicaraguan Committee is very alarmed by these premature attack plans. They fear Somoza will be given an excuse to send forces into Costa Rica, perhaps attack San Jose and take the initiative away from the Committee's forces. They also fear that Tijerino's small-scale attack will be quickly put down by Somoza, resulting in a defeatist spirit among the oppositionists inside Nicaragua which will prevent popular support of the "real" revolution to come later. [REDACTED] the real cause for their displeasure is the possibility that the Conservatives may force Figueres to support them, for if Somoza can be inveigled into a move on Costa Rica, Figueres may seize the opportunity to act without appearing to be the aggressor. 25X1X
5. The Somoza forces have found and staked at least one natural airfield in Las Segovias to prevent its use by the revolutionaries.

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